निर्धारित एक ही वेतनमान में निर्धारित किया जाता है। तथापि, विशिष्ट परिस्थितियों में जब कभी किसी वरिष्ठ अधिकारी का वेतन उसके कनिष्ठ से कम रह जाता है, तो ऐसी विसंगति को वरिष्ठ व्यक्ति के वेतन को बढ़ाकर दूर किया जा सकता है किन्तु शर्त यह है कि इस संबंध में संगत सरकारी आदेशों में निर्धारित शर्तों की पूर्ति होती हो।

(ख) जी, हां।

(ग) सूचना केन्द्रीय रूप से मानीटर नहीं की जाती।

(घ) जी, हां अगस्त, 1985 से दिसम्बर, 1985 तक की अवधि के दौरान इस आशय के कुछ पत्र प्राप्त हुए थे जिनमें संवर्ग में वरिष्ठ व्यक्तियों के वेतन को संवर्ग में उनके कनिष्ठ व्यक्तियों के वेतन के संदर्भ में बढ़ाए जाने के बारे में सरकारी आदेशों के लागू किए जाने से लेकर स्पष्टीकरण मांगे गए थे।

(ङ) मंत्रालयों/विभागों को संगत सरकारी आदेशों के अन्तर्गत निर्धारित शर्तों के अधीन उन मामलों में वेतन के निर्धारण के लिए सपष्टीकरण दे दिए गए थे।

Fair pension for pensioners

1005. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the news item that appeared in the 'Times of India' dated 2nd February, 1987 regrading fair pensions for pensioners to offset serious problems faced by them due to high cost of living;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to speed up its decision as the matter has been pending for long; and

(c) whether Government propose to review the high pension of rupees 4500/- for senior staff and rupees 300/- for lower staff, contrary to government's liberal social policies?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI BIREN SINGH ENGTI): (a) to (c) The recommendations of the Fourth Central Pay Commission are under consideration of Government and decisions are expected to be announced shortly. In the meantime Government has decided to raise the minimum pension and minimum family pension to Rs. 375/- p.m. as against Rs. 300/- recommended by the Pay Commission.

1006. [Transfered to the 10th March, 1987.]

Allocation of time for TV programmes

1007. SHRI DEBENDRA NATH BARMAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the time allotted for regional programme, national programme and Net work programme respectively;

(b) whether there is any proposal under Government consideration to allot more time for regional programmes;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Time allotted for telecast of national, regional and Network programmes by Doordarshan approximately is as follows:—

(1) National Programme (daily):

2 hours 35 minutes ,Minimum)

(2) Regional Programmes:

(i) Mondaye to Saturday 1 hr. 20 mts to 3 hr. 30 mts

(ii) Sunday 0.40 mts to 1 hr. 25 mts

3) *Network Programmes:*

(i)	Sundays	11 hrs. 05 mts.
(ii)	Monday-Friday (except Wednesday)	2 hrs. 45 mts.
(iii)	Wednesday	3 hrs. 20 mts.
(iv)	Saturday (except Second Saturday)	5 hrs.
(v)	Second Saturday	3 hrs.

The above details include Area Specific Programmes for the States covered under INSET Scheme, educational TV, University Grants Commission Programmes, Morning transmission and also afternoon transmission on Saturdays.

(b) to (d) No, Sir. The existing duration at each Kendra for telecast of regional service is considered optimum for the present keeping in view the constraint on resources and limited transmission time available with Doordarshan:

Second channel for Calcutta Doordarshan

1008. SHRI NARAYAN KAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state: what progress has so far been made in respect of Second channel for Calcutta Doordarshan and by when it is expected to start?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): Orders have already been placed for supply of the second channel Calcutta transmitter and auxiliary equipment. According to present indications, the second channel is expected to be commissioned before the end of 1987.

Telecast coverage by Calcutta Doordarshan

1009. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state: by when other T.V. relay centres of West Bengal would be able to telecast the programmes of Calcutta Doordarshan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): The high power (10KM) TV relay centres at Asansol and Berhampur (Murshidabad) are already relaying the programmes telecast by Calcutta Doordarshan. The scheme for linking the Kurseong high power (10 KW) relay centre with Calcutta is included in the Seventh Plan.

Filling of processes for patent by the CSIR laboratories

1010. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the two CSIR laboratories in Lucknow, namely the Industrial Toxicology Research Centre and the National Botanical Research Institute, have failed to file even a single process for patent since 1983; and

(b) what has been the total investment, till date, over them and their combined annual expenditure in each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) The R&D undertaken by National Botanical Research Institute (NBRI) pertains to botanical research on non-agricultural plant species and that of Industrial Toxicology Research